fiscal year, at least eight other American nations shall have been in good standing as adhering members, and unless at least eight of such other adhering members for the last preceding year for which such members were respectively obligated to pay dues shall have paid dues which aggregated at least \$10,000, and (2) the total cost to the United States for any fiscal year, for adhering membership, shall not exceed \$35,000."

Approved July 2, 1945.

[CHAPTER 219]

AN ACT

July 2, 1945 [H. R. 1812] [Public Law 112]

To authorize an award of merit for uncompensated personnel of the Selective Service System.

Selective Service System. Uncompensated personnel.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Congress hereby declares that many members of local boards, boards of appeal, Government appeal agents, local board examining physicians and dentists, members of medical advisory boards, and reemployment committeemen and other uncompensated personnel of the Selective Service System have, in a manner which is an example of patriotism, served the United States in the administration of the Selective Training and Service Act of 1940, as amended. This service has been voluntary and uncompensated and in many cases has resulted in great sacrifices on the part of these citizens.

54 Stat. 885. 50 U. S. C. app. §§ 301-318; Supp. IV, app. § 302 et seq. Ante, p. 166.

The Congress further declares that in accordance with the historic policy of the United States to recognize and publicly acknowledge the gratitude of the people and Government of the United States for patriotic service, that uncompensated personnel of the Selective Service System who have given faithful service should be awarded a certificate and medal in recognition of their patriotic service.

Award of certificate and medal.

SEC. 2. There may be awarded in the name of the Congress of the United States to such uncompensated personnel of the Selective Service System who have faithfully served more than two years and such others who have served faithfully as may be selected by the Director of Selective Service a certificate and a medal for faithful service in the administration of the Selective Training and Service Act of 1940, as amended.

Supra. Selective Service

SEC. 3. The medal authorized by this Act shall be known as the Selective Service Medal and shall be in such form and of such design and material as shall be prescribed by the Director of Selective Service.

Appropriations available. *Post*, p. 484.

SEC. 4. The appropriations for the Selective Service System shall be available for the payment of all expenses incident to the creation and awarding of the certificates and medals authorized by this Act. Approved July 2, 1945.

[CHAPTER 220]

AN ACT To amend the Canal Zone Code.

July 2, 1945 [H. R. 2125] [Public Law 113]

Canal Zone Code. amendment. 48 U. S. C. § 1371b.

Voluntary retire-

ment annuity.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That paragraph (a) of section 93 of title 2 of the Canal Zone Code, approved June

19, 1934, is hereby amended to read as follows:

(a) Any employee to whom this article applies who shall have attained the age of fifty-five and rendered at least twenty-five years of service, of which not less than fifteen years shall have been rendered on the Isthmus of Panama, may voluntarily retire on an annuity equivalent in value to the present worth of a deferred

annuity beginning at the age at which the employee would otherwise have become eligible for retirement, computed as provided in section 96 of this title: Provided, That any employee retiring prior to attaining the age of sixty under the provisions of this paragraph with at least thirty years of service shall receive an immediate annuity having a value equal to the present worth of a deferred annuity beginning at the age of sixty years, computed as provided in section 96 of this title."

ae." Approved July 2, 1945.

[CHAPTER 221]

AN ACT

To provide for the issuance of the Mexican Border Service Medal to certain members of the Reserve forces of the Army on active duty in 1916 and 1917.

July 2, 1945 [H. R. 2322] [Public Law 114]

Mexican Border Service Medal.

48 U. S. C. § 1371e; Supp. IV, § 1371e.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War is authorized and directed to issue the Mexican Border Service Medal to any officer of the Medical Reserve Corps or to any other member of a reserve component of the Army not eligible under existing law to receive such medal or the Mexican Service Medal heretofore authorized by the President who (1) served on the Mexican border at any time during the period from January 1, 1916, to April 6, 1917, or (2) was called to active duty during such period on account of the existing emergency and served in the field but rendered service elsewhere than on the Mexican border: Provided, That such medal shall not be issued to any person who has, subsequent to such service, been dishonorably discharged from the service or deserted.

Approved July 2, 1945.

Restriction.

[CHAPTER 222]

AN ACT

To amend paragraph (c) of section 6 of the District of Columbia Traffic Act, as amended by Act approved February 27, 1931.

July 2, 1945 [H. R. 2552] [Public Law 115]

D. C. Traffic Act,

Congressional tags.

amendment.

(c).

46 Stat. 1425. D. C. Code § 40-603

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the proviso of paragraph (c), section 6, of the District of Columbia Traffic Acts, as amended by the Act approved February 27, 1931, be, and the same is hereby, further amended by adding thereto the following: "Provided further, That such congressional tags shall be valid only for the Congress in which such tags are so issued, and it shall be unlawful to display such congressional tags for a period longer than thirty days after the opening of the next Congress.

"Any person violating this section shall be fined not more than

\$300 or imprisoned not more than ninety days, or both."

Approved July 2, 1945.

[CHAPTER 223]

AN ACT

To validate titles to certain lands conveyed by Indians of the Five Civilized Tribes and to amend the Act entitled "An Act relative to restrictions applicable to Indians of the Five Civilized Tribes of Oklahoma", approved January 27, 1933, and to validate State court judgments in Oklahoma and judgments of the United States District Courts of the State of Oklahoma.

Be it enacted by the Scnate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That no conveyance made by an Indian of the Five Civilized Tribes on or after April 26, 1931, and prior to the date of enactment of this Act, of lands

July 2, 1945 [H. R. 2754] [Public Law 116]

Five Civilized Tribes. Validation of certain conveyances.